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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Security Council And The Canal

THE House of Commons debate on the Suez Canal produced the expected result—defeat of the Opposition's motion of censure on the government. What it did not produce was anything in the way of constructive ideas for a satisfactory and permanent settlement of the dispute between Egypt and the canal users.

Mr. Bevan's lamentations over the government's policies and actions which led to the present situation lost much of their meaning because they had become dated by events. Moreover the Socialists were in the position where they could not condemn the decision to allow British ships to resume operations through the canal. The debate as a whole was not inspiring or particularly useful. Criticism from the Labour benches was negative in tone and effect.

The prime question which needs now to exercise the minds of Britain's political parties is not whether the government was right or wrong in engaging in the abortive Suez enterprise, but whether, in light of the situation since created, Egypt can be persuaded to apply all, not some, of the six UN principles laid down as a basis for a negotiated agreement on the future status and control of the canal.

Presumably it is the hope of both Britain and France that some progress in this direction will be made as a result of the impending Security Council discussions on the subject. The hope may be fulfilled, though not many will rate the chances high.

RUSSIA'S attitude can be anticipated. She regards the memorandum submitted by Egypt to the United Nations as being sufficient to settle the whole Suez Canal problem; that the proposals meet all the requirements of nations using the waterway; and that as such they should be readily accepted by everybody.

Thus, if any endeavour is made by Britain and France to introduce before the Security Council proposals which provide for Egypt to negotiate an agreement requiring modification of the Egyptian memorandum, it is fairly certain that the Soviet Union will veto it. And with this support in the Council, President Nasser will be encouraged to stand pat on his proposals.

The effort to obtain a Security Council recommendation for a revision of the Egyptian memorandum that would, above all, insulate the operating and control of the canal from national and international politics must of course be made. And if Russia were willing to subscribe to such a proposal, the Council would be in a position to help bring a settlement of the dispute much nearer to accomplishment. The Soviet Union, however, will probably find it more politically satisfying to frustrate any such move.

### In Your Saturday Mail

That H-bomb argument is taken up

President Truman v Albert Schweitzer

H-BOMB: Truman meets Rca MacColl. Lcs Armour's profile on "Albert Schweitzer". And what that big bang means in cash — by Chapman Pincher.

ATOMIC WARSHIP: A trip aboard the USS Forrestal where the deck is operational, and 2,000 men can be battened in a sunless air conditioned world for weeks — Richard Kilian.

MIDDLE EAST MUDDLE: Sefton Delmer tells of Nasser's plot to murder the mother of King Hussein.

CARTOONISTS' DELIGHT: "Mr Churchill does not like his picture at the Royal Academy."

GILES, CUMMINGS, LOW, FRIELL, and OSBERT LANCASTER.

And all your usual features — Jane Roberts on cinema — a full page of Show Business with Leonard Mosley, Thomas Wiseman, Loran Gourlay, Milton Shulman — Records by Cyril Stapleton — Books by George Malcolm Thomas — Homeside Fiction — and The Week in Pictures.

## TORIES DEFEAT CENSURE MOTION

### Bevan's Bitter Attack On Premier And Lloyd

London, May 16. The British Government tonight won a majority of 49 in the House of Commons for its Suez Canal policy, defeating a Labour opposition censure motion after a two-day debate.

The voting was 308 against 259.

Conservatives, who had feared a narrower government victory stood up in their elation, waving documents and cheering the Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan. Among them was Sir Winston Churchill.

But it was estimated that 14 or 15 Conservatives who disapproved of the government's decision to allow British ships to use the Suez Canal abstained from supporting the motion. Seven of the eight who earlier this week declared themselves independent of government policy sat silent while members voted. The other walked out before the vote.

#### IN CLOSE TOUCH

Among those who joined the rebels were Mr. John Eden, nephew of Sir Anthony Eden, who was Prime Minister when Britain and France last autumn sent troops into Egypt.

The debate was wound up by Mr. Aneurin Bevan, for Labour, and Mr. Macmillan for the Government.

Earlier today Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, the Foreign Secretary, told the House that Britain supported the French Government's new request for UN Security Council debate on management of the Suez Canal.

Brabham, he said, was in close touch with the French authorities on tactics.

He added: "The only difference between ourselves and the French is in regard to the interim use of the Canal pending final settlement."

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Mr. Bevan charged that Sir Anthony Eden's resignation had "not purged the guilt" of the Conservatives in attacking Egypt.

Mr. Bevan also spoke of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, as a "monk" working for an "organ-grinder."

Mr. Bevan waved his hand toward the Prime Minister and Mr. Lloyd, who were sitting together, and declared:

### Had Partner On Planet

Washington, May 16. Harold J. Brown, who claimed he had developed an energy-producing machine in co-operation with "Prince Uccello" of the planet Venus, was indicted on charges of fraud today.

Bernay, once a manufacturer of TV sets here, said his machine "could" propel planes and space ships at about the speed of light or could hold them motionless in the sky."

He was being induced with fraudulently inducing Paule Goebel to invest \$12,500 in the enterprise.—United Press.

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"There is no reason to attack the monkey when the organ grinder is present."

The August House had seldom heard such bitterness as that of Mr. Bevan, whom many consider the outstanding Labour prospect for Prime Minister in a Socialist government.

"The fact that Sir Anthony Eden resigned has not purged the guilt of people opposite," he said.

In fact, he said, the new Prime Minister had quite clear he did not want it to be done this way—he wanted the new government "to carry the load of guilt of the previous administration."

"We have to understand that there is complete unanimity in the present government and that there has been complete unanimity throughout," he said.

Mr. Bevan said President Nasser had "two main assets"—he was "champion of the Arab world against Western imperialism" and secondly, he was leader of the Arab world against Israel.

"In making our attack upon him, we consolidated both our positions in the eyes of the Arab world," said Mr. Bevan.

He said the Anglo-French action amounted to "treacherous criminal lunacy" in the face of Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin's ominous letter about guided missiles.

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Mr. Bevan had a sharp answer, too, for Mr. Macmillan's retort that the Government view that the intervention prevented a third world war.

"We had been saved from that calamity by the action of the conscience of the world exerted against the government," said Mr. Bevan.

"No members opposite imagine that the Commonwealth would still be in existence if our action had succeeded?"

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were not likely to show any great confidence.

Mr. Macmillan said the Eichmann doctrine was a most important contribution to the Middle East. Its worth could be measured by the emotion it had elicited from the Russians.—Reuter & United Press.

Shipping quarters here expected that the return of British shipping would increase Canal traffic by 30 per cent.

The 20,000-ton Dutch liner "Oranje," which arrived here from Amsterdam today, will go through the Canal tomorrow on her way to Djakarta.—Reuter.

Canal Convoys Increased

### RAAF HIT TERRORIST CAMP Four Killed

Kuala Lumpur, May 16.

Four Communist terrorists, including a top leader and his Indian aide, were killed in heavy bombing last Monday night in jungles near Jelebu, 50 miles south of here, it was announced tonight.

Five bombers of the Royal Australian Air Force, which took part in the operation, dropped 70 one-thousand pound bombs over suspected terrorist camps.

Security forces combing the area later recovered three bodies and captured a wounded man. The wounded man, who later died in hospital, was identified as Pang Fook Loong, State Committee member of the outlawed Malayan Communist Party's Negri Sembilan Branch.

Pang commanded the second independent regiment of the Malayan People's anti-Japanese army during the Japanese occupation of Malaya in the last war.

Among the three bodies recovered was that of a South Indian Tamil, Veerasalam, one of the few remaining top-ranking Indian terrorists in the Malayan jungles.—France-Presse.

### AIR SPACE VIOLATED

Vienna, May 16.

Four Czech fighter planes reportedly penetrated Austrian air space today in the frontier region between Steyrbrunn and Drosendorf in lower Austria.

Several Austrian policemen said the planes were flying at an altitude of less than 300 feet and that the Czech insignia could be clearly distinguished.

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The failure of Mr. Lloyd is one of the political tragedies of Westminster. He was all set to become an outstanding Minister of Defence when Sir Anthony Eden asked him in December, 1955, to become Foreign Secretary.

There is no likelihood of Mr. Lloyd's resigning under the present pressure, to whom spoke on Thursday night agreed that he cannot long remain in office without the support of any section of the party.

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The current crack is: "The Foreign Office is a portfolio with a Minister."

Who will take the job?

A number of Tory MP's believe that Mr. Iain Macleod, now Minister of Labour, will be invited to take over.

Defence Minister Duncan Sandys would seem a more likely choice—except that there have been so many changes in the Defence Ministry since 1951 that no more are probable so soon.

Sheriff John Lanham said at least 80 were injured. Eight of these were in critical condition.

"My man up there told me he has seen and counted 18 bodies and identified them at least to the extent of probable age," Highway Patrol Capt. J. W. Blackwell said at his District Headquarters in Amarillo. "He says there are other bodies he has just not been able to get yet."

"It dipped and popped and looked like red sand raining when it hit Mrs. Billy Stevens," said. "It looked like a real low cloud that had a belly on it and then began moving through town."

—United Press.

IAIN MACLEOD Successor?

### MALTA INTEGRATION SCHEME DEAD

London, May 16.

Daily Express Staff reporter Colin Lawson reports in an article today that scheme to merge Malta with Britain is dead.

Lawson, who flew to Valletta from Arabia to find out what went wrong with the plan to make the George Cross island into little corner of British overseas, says Socialist Premier Dom Mintoff has drafted a reply to the last ditch concession brought from London last week by Governor Sir Robert Laycock.

Mintoff, Lawson says, is adamant in refusing British terms.

Lawson says he finds that instead of the first enthusiasm for integration there is now apathy and boredom, the result, he says, of 14 months haggling between Mintoff and Britain.

#### The Blame

"I put the blame squarely on Mintoff although Britain is not entirely blameless," says Lawson.

"I am told," Lawson adds, "that when the final offer of British financial help is made known in the Island its generosity may well surprise the Maltese."

Britain's offer of six million pounds annually for five years with guarantee of generous treatment, after that has been countered by Mintoff with a demand for a written guarantee that in 12 years Malta will reach absolute parity with Britain in wages, income, social services and economy.

Admiral Miles H. Hubbard, Second-In-Charge of Operations and Administration for the Far East Command, made the final decision after Japanese authorities insisted Girard be charged with "manslaughter".

Hubbard submitted his decision the first time an American serviceman, under orders and on his base, has ever been delivered to Japanese authorities for court trial.

One American officer, who refused identification, told United Press, "Girard won't have a chance with that Japanese jury."

American military officers agree that the woman "had no business" being on an American firing range at any time. They say she was stealing scrap metal for sale.—United Press.

### 35,000 FLU VICTIMS

Kuala Lumpur, May 16.

The total of influenza victims in Malaya rose tonight to more than 35,000. Dr. Mohammed Din, the Assistant Director (Health) of Medical Services announced.

Two deaths were officially reported today from the present epidemic—a schoolboy in Kuala Lumpur and a baby in Penang.

—United Press.

### Israel's War Warning

New York, May 16.

Famous Hollywood actress Martha Raye was today rushed to a New York hospital and placed in an oxygen tent.

No details of her illness have been disclosed.—France-Presse.

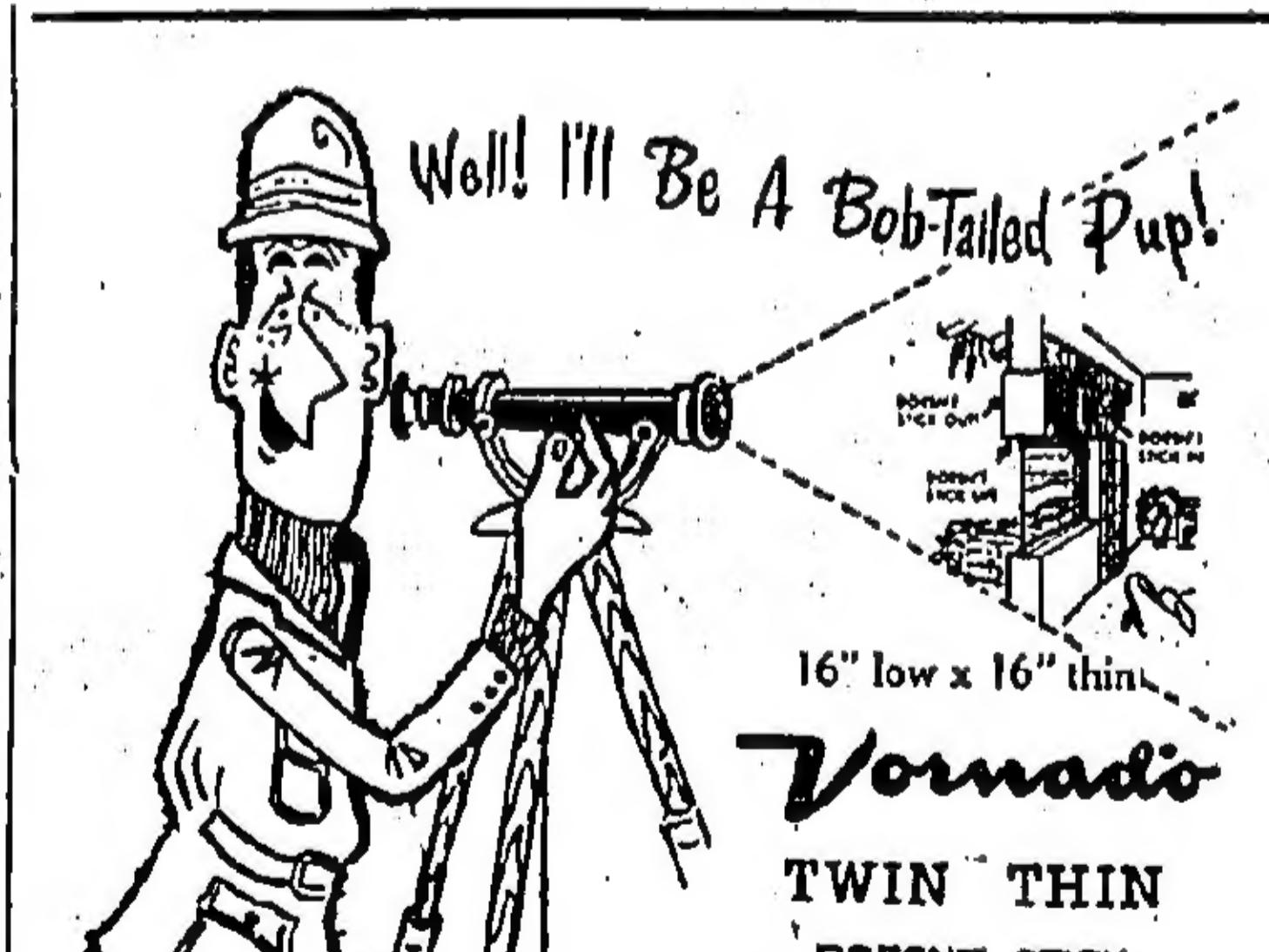
He arrived in New York by air for a six-week tour of the United States in connection with Israel's bond drive.

He told reporters who met him that interference with Israeli shipping in the Gulf of Aqaba would "mean another military campaign."

Asked if this meant that Israel would go to war, Mr. Neher replied: "I am quite sure of that."

Cairo Radio reported today Mr. Sabri el Assal, Syrian Prime minister, said that the Israeli plan to send a test ship through the Suez Canal "means lighting the flame of war over the Middle East."

He added, "I do not think that Israel and her supporters are prepared to bear the consequences of such a war at this moment or in the future."—Reuters.



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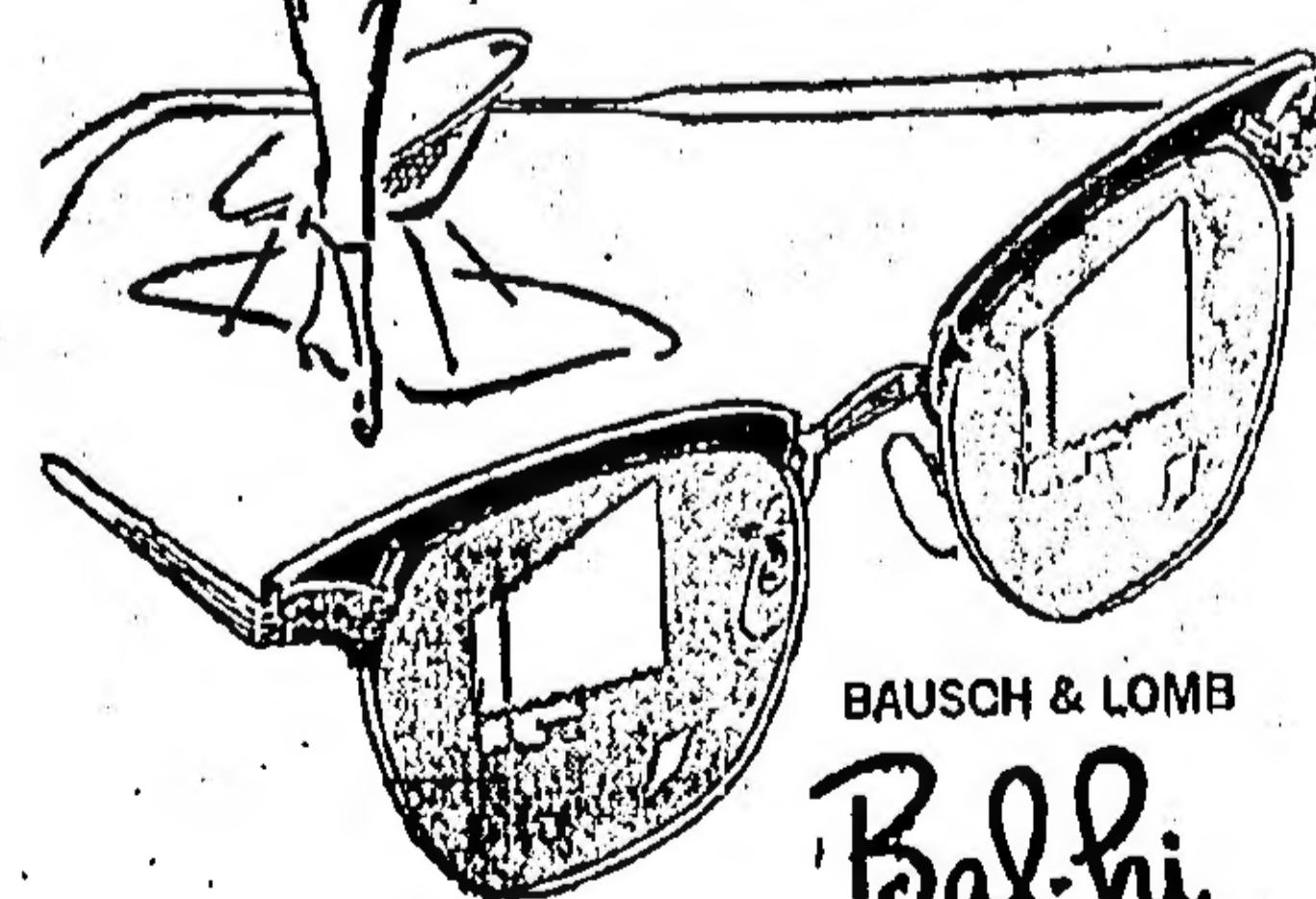
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## India Encourages Japan LEADING ROLE IN DRIVE TO END TESTS

**United Nations, May 16.**  
India is encouraging Japan to play the leading role in the world-wide drive to end nuclear tests, diplomatic sources said today.

Since Japan became a UN member last December, she has been taking an increasingly active part in efforts to prohibit the testing of atomic and hydrogen weapons and eventually to outlaw nuclear warfare.

## US FILM WINS AT CANNES

CANNES, May 16.  
An unofficial jury of teachers, school children, parents, writers, cinema people, journalists and a gallery today awarded the first Chevalier de la Barre prize to Daniel Taradash's "Storm Centre," an American film now showing in Paris.

"Storm Centre" received six votes against five for "Sorcerers De Salem," a French film based on US playwright Arthur Miller's play, "The Crucible," and three for the Japanese film "Omotes En Pich Jou" (Shadows in Broad Daylight).

The prize is awarded annually for the film regarded as having best served the cause of freedom of expression and tolerance.

The jury makes choice from the whole year's film output, but the award is made at the Cannes Film Festival after they have decided that none of the Festival entries is better qualified.—Reuter.

## TUNKU TO SEE THE QUEEN

LONDON, May 16.  
Tunku Abdul Rahman, Malayan Chief Minister, will call on Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace tomorrow.

The British Government gave a diplomatic reception here tonight in honour of the Tunku and the other delegates to the current Anglo-Malayan Constitutional Conference.

Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, the Colonial Secretary and leader of the British delegation, was the chief host.

The guests included members of the diplomatic corps in London, British Government ministers and senior officials. Members of the Houses of Lords and Commons and Inche Othman, Malaysia's Comptroller in the United Kingdom. Inche Othman, expected to hold a evening reception for the Tunku and his delegation shortly before they leave London by air for Kuala Lumpur on May 23.—Reuter.

MOSCOW, May 16.  
Soviet technicians in two planes landed at the North Pole today and installed an automatic radio-equipped weather station which will beam data to the European continent daily. The installation was lasted six hours.—Franco-Presse.

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AN ALLIED ARTISTS PICTURE

In grabbing the initiative to get Britain, Russia and the United States to suspend or give up altogether the testing of nuclear devices, Japan has been gradually supplanting India as the leader in this endeavour. This is all right with the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, diplomatic informants said.

## Discourage

In the first place, India long has been trying to discourage the idea that she speaks for all Asians or for the 28-nation Asian-African group in the UN. India has been, more often than not, the guiding influence in matters of common interest to those peoples. But she has been unusually sensitive when someone hangs on her the tag of "spokesman".

For years Indians have been demanding an end to nuclear tests and a ban on atomic warfare. They worked so hard at it that the argument seemed to lose its effectiveness. Prominent Indians agreed that it might be better for some other power to take the lead. In that light, Japan's militant attitude is heaven-sent.

Some Indians undoubtedly felt the Japanese could make it easier against nuclear war better than anyone else because they are its only victims.

## Subtle Reason

But diplomatic quarters have suggested a more subtle reason for India's desire to have Japan show the way to a radiation-free world. It is that the Indian government has grown suspicious of Japan's own future stand on possibilities of nuclear weapons. If India could get Japan to wage a major campaign against "A" and "H" weapons, she could minimise the possibility of Japan becoming the first nuclear power in Asia. It was suggested,

Indian suspicion were intensified by a statement by the Japanese Prime Minister, Nobusuke Kishi, last week, that Japan's constitution did not bar nuclear weapons for defence. The postwar constitution provides for defensive measures only, not for the means to attack.

## Major Attention

It is believed likely that the United Nations General Assembly opening in September will devote major attention to the question of tests.

Japan, along with Canada and Norway, submitted last January a plan for UN registration of tests. It was sent to the Disarmament Sub-committee in London for study. The Japanese government has since elaborated on its ideas.

In order to present its case well in the UN Japan would have to assemble a top-notch team of diplomats. Koto Matsudaira, former envoy to Canada, quickly pointed out the weakness of his delegation last Monday when he took over as Japanese permanent representative to the UN.—United Press.

## TROOPS LAND ON KAMARAN?

LONDON, May 16.  
Authoritative British sources said today they were not in a position to confirm the Yemenite reports that British troops had landed on Kamaran Island in the Red Sea, off the west coast of Yemen.

Such a move would in any case concern only Britain, the sources said. Kamaran Island was taken from the Turks in 1915 and is at present under the authority of the Governor of Aden. The island, as well as the protectorate and colony of Aden are claimed by Yemen.—Franco-Presse.

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## Sen Visits Queen Juliana



Queen Juliana of the Netherlands is pictured with Dr B. R. Sen, Director General of the United Nations' Food and Agricultural Organization, at the palace of Soestdijk. Mrs Sen is on left.—Express Photo.

## WAIT AND SEE ATTITUDE ON CANAL

London, May 16.  
Few UK shipping companies have yet made any announcement of policy regarding the use of the reopened Suez Canal and the tendency at the moment appears to be to deal with routing or re-routing piecemeal — and watch developments.

One line, the Orient, stated today that it was not proposing to send ships through the Canal immediately.

An Orient spokesman said the Company was watching to see whether ships using the Canal had adequate facilities.

If convoys appeared to be going through without interference, delay and with proper facilities at Port Said and Suez — facilities such as were needed immediately — then presumably Orient would send ships through.

On the other hand, the Union Castle Line announced last Tuesday that its liners would resume using the Canal.

RE-ROUTING

The Ponapins and Oriental Steam Navigation Company has been re-routing cargo ships bound for India via the Far East, through the Canal but ships to Australia continue round the Cape. The latest statement came from P & O last night, when they said three of their passenger ships would do the Far East trip via the Suez Canal.

The Company has, however, made no general statement about ships using the Canal.

Tankers are, it appears, being diverted through the Canal.

With large ships, there is an understandable caution about using the Canal yet, in view of the risk of loss through damage or delay. There is far less chance of delay with a ship of 5,000 tons than with one of 20-30,000 tons, according to one shipping source.—Reuter.

New York, May 16.

The UN Security Council will meet on Monday. It was officially announced here, to discuss Suez. The meeting was requested by France.—Reuter.

Colombo, May 16.

Professor Frederic Joliot-Curie, the French Scientist, will preside over the first World Peace Council Conference ever to be held in Asia, due to take place here from June 10 to 15, it was announced today.

Mrs Theja Gunawardhana, one of the organisers, said the main task of the Conference was to mobilise world opinion for a ban on nuclear weapons.—Reuter.

## QUEEN'S &amp; ALHAMBRA

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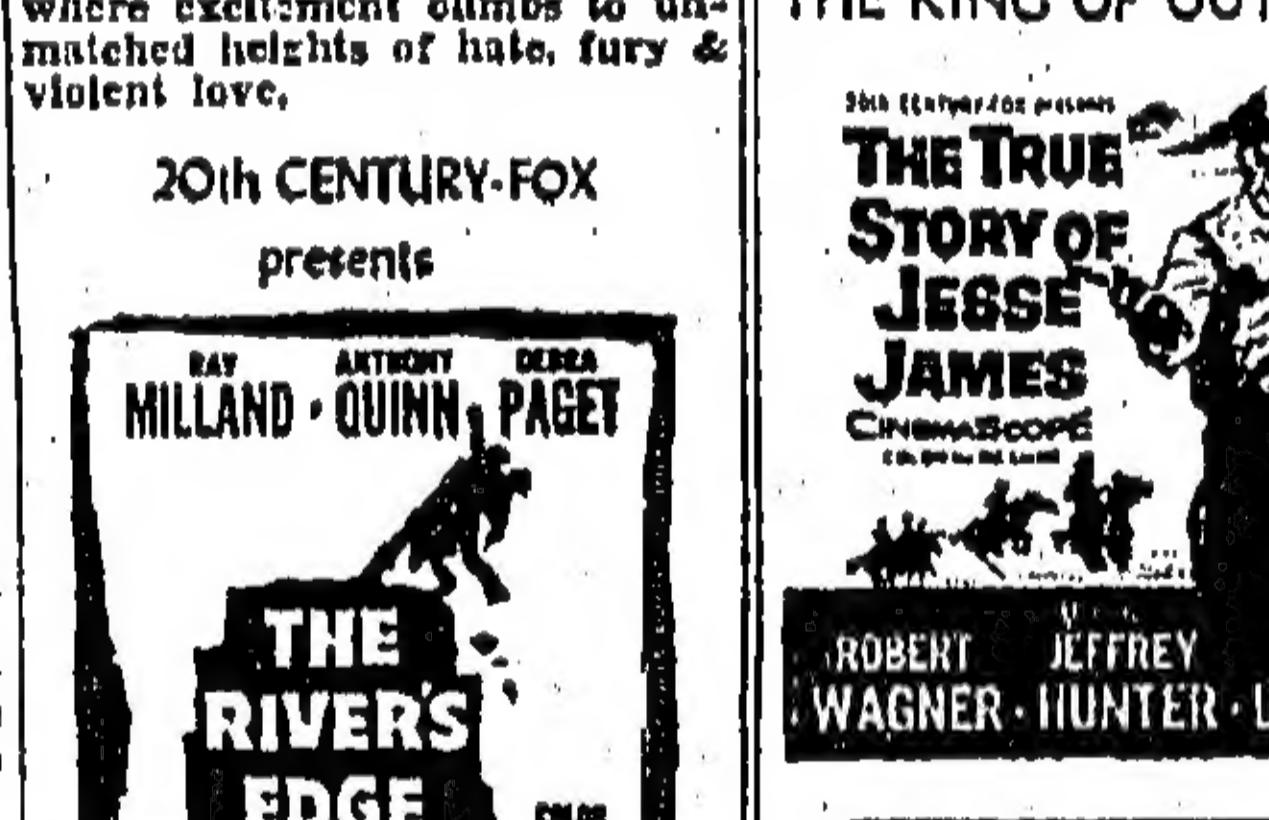
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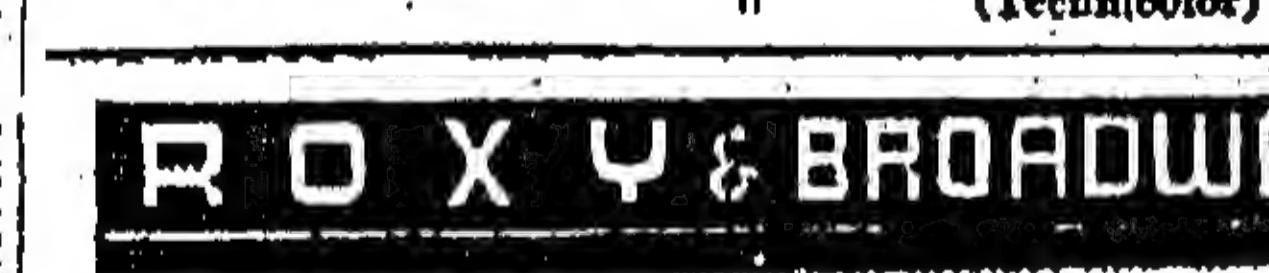
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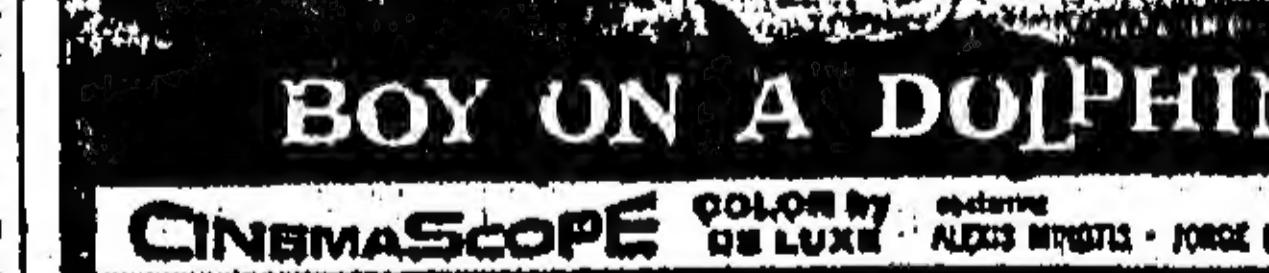
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# PARTIAL AGREEMENT WANTED

## Complete Unanimity In Talks

Moscow, May 16. A joint declaration issued today by the Soviet Communist Party and the Mongolian Peoples Revolutionary Party recorded complete unanimity on all problems discussed during their talks here, according to Tass, the Soviet News Agency.

The statement was signed yesterday by Mr Nikita Khrushchev, First Secretary of the Soviet Communist Party, and Mr Damdin, First Secretary of the Mongolian Party, Tass said.

The declaration said that the Mongolian People's Republic was now a sovereign independent state where all power belonged to the people.

### LITERACY

The republic "has built its own industry and up-to-date types of transport services has effected a substantial advance in agriculture, attained 100 per cent literacy and is steadily raising the living standards of the peoples."

The Mongolian delegation said Mongolia's great successes had been made possible by the "fraternal aid and support" given by the Soviet Union, Communist China and other countries in the Socialist Camp, the declaration said.

It added that Soviet-Mongolian relations were "a graphic example" of a new type of relations between small nations.—Reuters.

## Stevenson Views US Budget

New York, May 16. Mr Adlai Stevenson, twice Democratic Party candidate for President, left for Paris aboard a Pan American World Airways plane today for a two-month tour of Europe and Africa. He is due to arrive in Paris tomorrow.

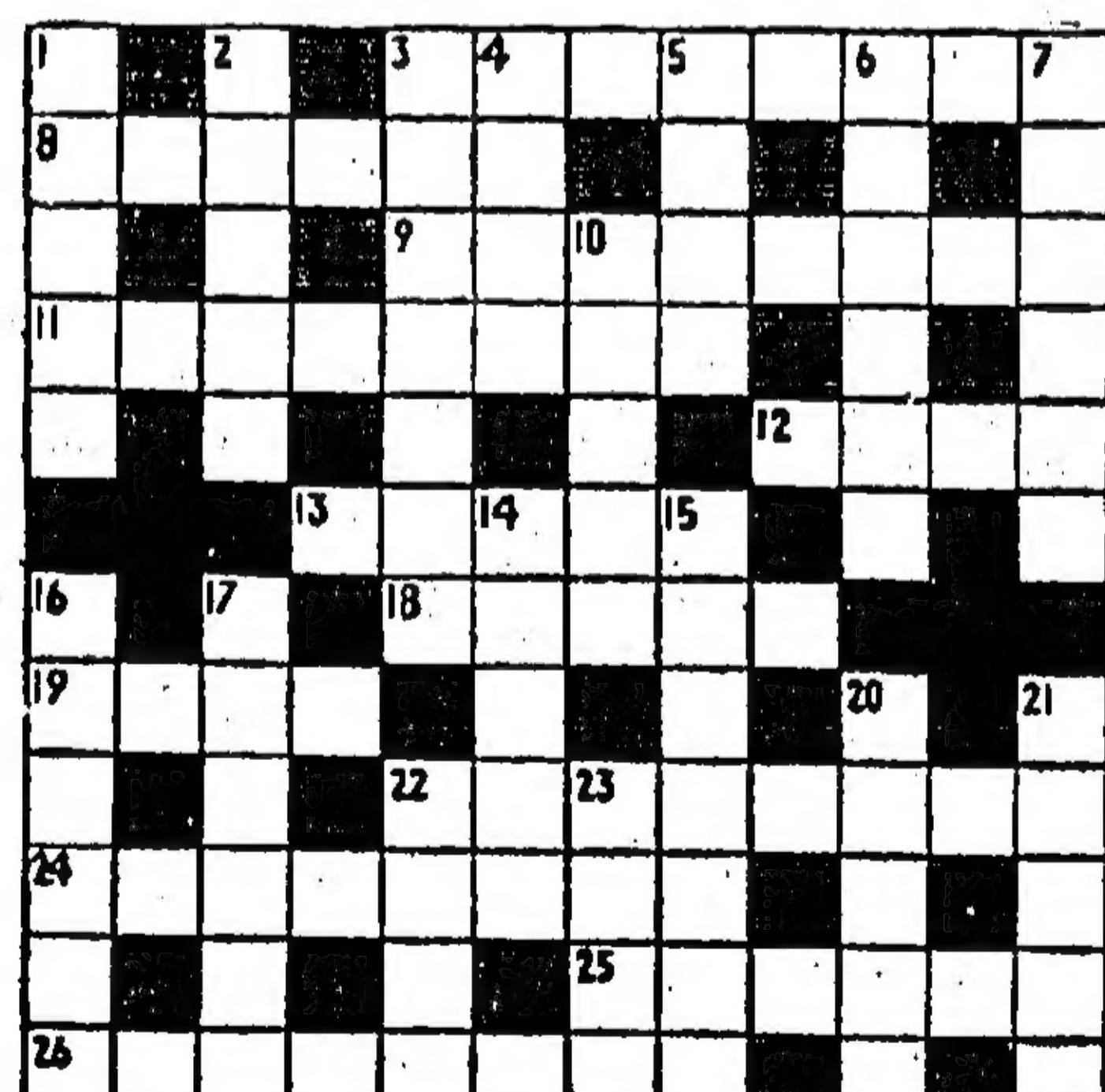
Before leaving, Mr Stevenson expressed the hope that Congress would not "cut foreign aid—least economic assistance."

But, he added, I think that the President's Budget presents a great deal of opportunity for saving in the Defense Department.

This springs from unusual timing that was hoped for but has not come about, even though General Eisenhower is the President.

Mr Stevenson will visit four and possibly five European countries and eight countries or territories in Africa, where he hopes to talk to top officials "as a representative of the Opposition Party". Most of his time, he said, would be taken up with his law business.—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



**ACROSS**

- 3 Ogres (8).
- 8 Haphazard (6).
- 9 Restricting (6).
- 11 Hides (8).
- 12 Loke (4).
- 13 Denude (5).
- 18 Over-caulicles (6).
- 19 Eager (4).
- 22 Refuted (8).
- 23 Trespasses (8).
- 25 Old folks may see nothing inside (6).
- 26 Snaps (6).

**DOWN**

- 1 Turf (6).
- 2 Lay (6).
- 3 Interfere with (7).
- 4 Leave out (4).
- 5 Winter sports gear (4).
- 6 Banished (6).
- 7 Dropped (6).
- 10 Deserve (6).
- 14 Scolded (6).
- 15 Customs (6).
- 17 Placard (6).
- 20 Blenish (6).
- 21 One of "20" (6).
- 22 Discourteous (4).
- 25 What the lover has to give the whiner (4).

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## ANTI-H-BOMB PARADE IN TOKYO



## SOVIET CRIMINAL LAW TO BE REFORMED

Moscow, May 16. A prominent Soviet jurist has described as "dead" one of the most objectionable provisions in Soviet criminal law, the punishment of innocent persons for crimes committed by relatives, it was learned today.

P. I. Kudryavtsev, Deputy Procurator General of the Soviet Union, told Prof Harold J. Berman of the Harvard Law School that the provision would be eliminated from new codes to be enacted shortly, according to statements in a recent interview made available to the United Press.

In reply to a question by Berman concerning the notorious Article LVIII of the penal code, under which relatives of deserters from the Armed Services may be liable to administrative exile for up to five years, Kudryavtsev said the law "no longer applies."

### NEW CODE

"There hasn't been a single case of it in the last three or four years, and the provision will certainly be eliminated from the new code," he said.

To illustrate the point, Kudryavtsev noted that none of Lavrenti P. Beria's relatives or those of other police chiefs executed for treason "have been punished."

"What greater insult has there been than Beria?" he demanded.

Berman and Kudryavtsev, and other Soviet jurists, discussed additional significant reforms already instituted or contemplated in the four-year campaign to wipe out objectionable vestiges of the Stalinist personality cult and insure strict enforcement of legal rights.

### DRAFT LEGISLATION

The jurists cited, among other things, draft legislation entitling the accused to counsel at arraignment and at all stages thereafter, rather than only during their trial.

Also, all judges must have a legal education and lawyers will get increased authority and be permitted to take part in preliminary civil hearings, —United Press.

## NO DECISION ON ARMS FOR S. KOREA YET

Washington, May 16. Mr Charles Wilson, the US Secretary of Defense, said today the United States was consulting its allies of the Korean War on supplying weapons of "atomic capabilities" and modern jet fighters to South Korea's defenses.

Relying to questions at a press conference, Mr Wilson said that no decision had yet been taken on modernizing forces in South Korea.

But he said that it was no longer possible to equip these forces with weapons that had now become obsolete and no longer in production.

He said that the Communists in North Korea had flouted the Armistice Agreement, whereby both sides were forbidden to strengthen their forces beyond the levels existing at the end of the Korean War.—Reuters.

### ABILITY OF NATO

Symington spoke at the annual dinner of the Building and Trade division on behalf of the Combined Jewish Appeal Campaign for \$10,500,000.

He said there is growing skepticism throughout Europe over the ability of Nato to serve as a "shield" against the Soviets.

Sen. Stuart Symington last night charged that US opposition to British and French military attempts to regain control of the Suez Canal "may prove to be one of the most costly diplomatic mistakes this country ever made."

The Missouri Democrat said that France has "almost withdrawn" from Nato because of its "joining with the Kremlin" during the Suez crisis and that Britain "is withdrawing."

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## The Birth Of The Count

## Chapter 6

THE  
TITLED  
CAT

BY this time, Basie was known throughout America as "The Count." The story of how he came by the nickname dates back to 1936, when the band was doing a broadcast one night over Kansas City radio station.

The announcer turned to Basie and said the music business was full of royalty, like Duke Ellington, Earl Hines, and Benny Goodman, King of Swing. "From now on, I think I'll call you Count Basie," he said. Basie shrugged and smiled. It seemed like a good joke. And then — as always — he was never against a joke, for or against him.

In July, 1938, the band moved to 52nd Street, New York — a jazz centre if ever there was one — and opened at The Famous Door. The Count did capacity business. Night after night the "standing room only" sign was put outside the club. The band's stay had to be extended to October. "Almost all the names in the business dropped by to dig us," says the Count.

But as his fame spread, so did the rumours. Largest among them was that Benny Goodman had financed the band. This reached such proportions that in November that year Willard Alexander denied publicly that "Benny had a piece of the Basie band."

## Broadway

Next month the band hit Broadway, opening at the Paramount Theatre. On that occasion "Vocaly" found the group "an aggregation of solid senders." This was during the height of the swing craze. The kids jived up and down the aisles, just as they do to rock 'n' roll today.

Huge crowds awaited the Basie band everywhere it played. Records and radio sent its fame on ahead. A gig at Roxy Mount, California, drew 16,000 fans. Another 10,000 were turned away. The National Guard was called out. The crowd was only appeased by the promise that the Count's stay would be prolonged.

That was the tale all over America. Tours took the band to famous hotels, large theatres, and colleges. Undergraduates at Harvard voted the

Count their favourite bandleader. A leading Negro newspaper, the Pittsburgh Courier, presented him with a silver cup.

The Count had come a long way from that Reno night club.

What was the Count looking for when he enlarged his band?

"I wanted my 15-piece band to work together just like those nine pieces did," he says. "I wanted 15 men to think and play the same way. I wanted those four trumpets and three trombones to bite with real guts. But I wanted that subtle bite just as tasty and subtle as it were the three brass I used to use. The only reason I enlarged the brass was to get a richer harmonic structure."

## It Swung

Of his piano playing at that period, the Count says he felt it unworthy to take chorus after chorus. "I fed dancers my own rhythm in short doses, and when I came in for a solo, I did it unEXPECTEDLY, using a strong rhythm background behind me."

His style was wonderful for pushing the band along. He made the rhythm roll along; he always seemed to know just what to do to fill in the gaps.

The rhythm section of Joe Jones, Walter Page, Freddie Green and Basie produced a rhythm in which each of the basses in the bar became like billboards, rolling with smoothness and equality. In a Basie solo, for instance, the bass would flow as though on ice.

The one common denominator to be found from the opinions of any who heard that great band was that Basie like a shadow, that it SWUNG. It was a beat which set feet jumping like grasshoppers under a man's feet.

Another quality the band had was just as rare — that of taste. It had deep sense of taste, with no more about it. And it was lyrical. The net effect was one of clarity with a great feeling of unleashed strength behind it. A kind of fiery restrained fluency that earned the respect of fans and musicians wherever the band played.

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## At the Top

Like the Ellington band of the same time, the Basie congregation achieved a curious distinction.

Big though it was, it played like a small band. Some of this can be put down to the simplicity of the arranging. Many of the arrangements were "heads," limited to one, two or three riffs, and plain sectional figures, used mainly as off-setting cushions for the many solos.

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The Count seemed set for a long run at the top. But it was not to be.

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by  
Noel Wain

## Four English Girls Go Flat-Hunting In New York

—AND FIND NOTHING FOR LESS THAN £13 A WEEK

**New York.** HOW would you like to live in New York and earn £10 more than £20 a week? Five weeks ago I became one of four girls to be chosen out of 5,000 for training as air hostesses for an international airline. My friends could barely conceal their envy.

But New York is not all skyscrapers and night clubs, £20 is not fortune where a shampoo and set costs near £3. And an air hostess does not spend all her time posing with a bottle of champagne surrounded by film stars.

The late Chu Berry was another great name in the Basic Reed section. His whimsical playing contrasted with that of Don Byas. Anchoring the section was baritone man Jack Washington. And topping the cocktail cherry was Tab Smith, a man whose tone on alto sax was just about the thickest to be blown out of that horn by any jazzman. Earl Warren completed the line up.

The trombone section was no less illustrious. Vic Dickenson, Benny Morton, Jimmy Harrison and the unbelievable Dixie Wells — a man whose playing was immensely imaginative, at the same time unclassifiable and uninhibited.

Buck Clayton, Harry Edison and Emmett Berry blew trumpet with the band. Buck and Harry — both still blowing strong — had easily recognizable individual solo styles.

## Two horses

"You're lucky," said the pilot as we took off. "Last time we had two horses."

When we landed after 20 hours in an unpressurised freight plane, we looked more like refugees than visitors. Without a pause, we had to load ourselves with our luggage and begin to hunt for a flat.

There is no shortage of flats in Manhattan — as long as you are earning £50 a week. For a bedroom, living room and tiny kitchen, the average rent is about £13 a week.

So we have settled far away from Broadway and Park Avenue, a long distance even from Greenwich Village. It is a little place called Key Gardens on Long Island, which is almost disappointingly like my home town.

Even to find the station seems to need some special instinct. There is no equivalent to the London Transport sign. The entrance is not a flight steps through a hole in the wall. You feel as if you were visiting a speakeasy in Chicago.

We are back again at school from 8.45 till 5 p.m. each day. There is two hours of homework every evening, with revision every week-end. And the train-

## JENNIFER

## DAVIS

one of four girls chosen out of 5,000 for training as an air hostess in America, sends a progress report

It has tree-lined avenues, white detached villas, and the streets too have an English ring — Mayfair, Park Lane, Audley Street.

To get to the bright lights we take the subway. This sounds very much simpler than it is. The express travel at 60 m.p.h. And the doors seem to shut even quicker. You are either quick or you are squashed in fast-moving New York.

## No equivalent

In the air anything can happen. The captain asked one girl over the inter-com for some coffee. When she presented herself, tray in hand, the cockpit was deserted, the windows open wide. Thinking the crew had all fallen out she rushed shrieking to the galley. Then she heard laughter from the toilet where they had all been hiding while the airplane was flown by the automatic pilot.

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But when this training is done we make our first professional trip. Then we hope our friends will have something to envy.

## How risky is that game of tennis?

TO Mr Glover and all those other people who begin the day with I-wonder-what's-the-matter-with-me I say: Throw that bottle of medicine through the window, put those tablets on the garden path and jump on them. It's spring. It's holidays. It's sunny. But doctor, my headache? Headache, bah. Well, doctor, my nerves? Nerves, bah.

"All the same I think I need a tonic," Mr Glover said grimly when he came to see me. "Starting this new business of mine really just has got me down."

"Bah," I said again, remembering the old Chinese proverb which teaches that a man with an unsmiling face should refrain from opening a shop.

I told him to stop moping in front of the fire. I told him to go for a brisk walk. I told him to take some decent exercise in the sun. That would do him more good than tablets, vitamins, buck-up tonics, and big health powders. Still it was up to him. He had the clear choice. Blue skies or just the blues.

"Nor right after a bath when the blood is closest to the open pores of the skin," I continued.

The principle to remember is that it is all right to carry on with exercise until you are nicely tired, but not until you are overtired.

"What happened to her?" Mr Glover asked.

"She's fine," I told him.

"She took up sailing and now bored, simply by inactivity, she merely consults the weather chart."

"The trouble is, there's just not time enough to take exercise regularly," Mr Glover said.

"Waiting in a doctor's surgery is less pleasant and an time consuming as a round of golf," I pointed out.

I thought of Mrs Wells. She consulted a neurologist and he told her that her trouble was migraine. She saw a bone specialist and he told her that her complaint was the result of a crooked spine. She consulted an endocrinologist and he told her it was her glands. She consulted a surgeon and he said the root of her trouble was her appendix. She went to a gastro-enterologist and he said she had an ulcer.

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By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

The Hongkong Stock Market experienced another week of continued progress with the gains by utilities leading the rise of the majority of shares.

Shortage of scrip, coupled with the demand for utility shares, has caused the rise in this section.

### WORLD RUBBER MARKETS

New York, May 16. Rex rubber contract closed today 25 to 50 points higher with sales of 80 contracts.

May	32.40
July	32.10
Sept.	31.90
Nov.	31.90
Jan.	31.90
Mar.	31.10
May	30.90

Standard contract closed 25 to 50 points higher with no sales reported.

May	32.40
July	32.10
Sept.	31.90
Nov.	31.90
Jan.	31.90
Mar.	31.10
May	30.90

Higher London cables and a limited supply of high-priced shipment offerings, plus optimistic production estimates from the auto industry, all combined to put prices on an upgrade. A good part of the trading was represented in intra-dealer switching of July/Sept at 30 points and Sept/Jan. at 45 points.

Brokers with London connections also were identified in the Sept/Jan. swaps. Trade sources estimated US auto production this week at 127,270 passenger cars, up 1.1 per cent from last week and the highest output in four weeks. In the shipment market, brokers reported Indonesian offerings of three ambers, May/June, cost and freight, at 27½ cents with Singapore offering the same grade at 23½ cents.

Thailand offerings included three sheets at 31½ cents; four sheets at 30½ and five sheets at 28½ cents, all cost and freight, May/June. Locally spot No. 1 RSS was quoted at 32½ cents.

#### SINGAPORE

The market opened lower, on overseas advices, and later advanced on short covering with sellers reserved.

There was a little factory demand, and there was some talk in the market of enquiries for Rod China, but there was no actual business reported. Future:

No. 1 rubber per lb.	31.14-31.21
June	31.14-31.21
No. 2 rubber per lb. June	30.91-30.94
No. 3 rubber per lb. June	30.91-30.94
Spot rubber inflated	31.14-31.21
Blanket crepe	30.87
No. 1 pale crepe	30.100

#### LONDON

The rubber market was quiet with spot unchanged at 26-10/10 pence per lb. Prices:

No. 1 rms spot	26.14-26.27
Settlement house term	26.14-26.27
June/Sept	26.14-26.27
Oct/Dec	26.14-26.27
Jan/Mar	26.14-26.27
April/June	26.14-26.27
General market rate	26.14-26.27
May	26.14-26.27
June	26.14-26.27
July	26.14-26.27
Estate crepe thin June	26.14-26.27
Estate crepe thick June	31

#### AMSTERDAM

The rubber market was quietly steady. Prices closed in guilders per kilogram, cif June on follows:

No. 1 rubber	2.62 buyers
No. 2 rubber	2.58 buyers
No. 1 crepe	2.51 buyers

—United Press

New York Foreign Exchange

New York, May 16. Closing rates were:

Canada	1.04-1.05/1.03
England	1.05-1.06/1.04
—30-days	1.05-1.06/1.04
Australia	1.05-1.06/1.04
South Africa	1.05-1.06/1.04
Others unchanged—United Press	

#### Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local foreign exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per £1) 1.05

American pound (per £1) 1.05

Swiss franc (per £1) 1.05

Indonesian rupiah (per £1) 1.05

Hungarian forint (per £1) 1.05

Singapore (Strata) 1.05

Others unchanged—United Press

### ★ The Share Market At A Glance ★

	Apr 11	Apr 25	May 2	May 9	May 16	Up or Down
HK Bank	1050	1005	1050m	1050	995	-55
Lombard	38	314b	28b	38b	39	+1
Union	950b	870b	960b	940d	930	-10
Wheelock	6.00	7.40b	7.35	7.35	7.40	+50c
HK Wharf	674mixed	102	110	109	108½	-1
HK Docks	45	44½	44½	45	45	+50c
Provident	11,000xd	11,500	11,70	11,70	12,20	+700c
HK Hotels	14.40	14.80	15,20	15,40	15,70	+300c
HK Lands	30%	35%	35%	34%	36	+125
HK Tents	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.45	1.45	+50c
Star Ferry	137½	136	136a	135m	135n	steady
Yatman's	102½m	103	102	102	105	+50c
Ch. Lights	21.90	18.60xa	18.40	18.40	19.16	+81.10
Electric	20.20	20	20.40	20.40	20.14	+750c
HK Telephone	24.70	24.70	25.30	25.70	26.00	+90c
G.I. Cement	32½	32½	32½	32½	33½	+81
Dairy Farm	15x	14.80	14.60	14.60	14.90	+100c
A.S. Watson	11.00m	11.00	11.00	11.00	12	+40c
Yangtze	5.90b	6b	6b	6.10	6.14	+150c
Allied	4.725n	4.60	4.50m	4.50m	4.45b	steady
HK & FE Inv.	10b	10.30	10b	10.20b	10.20b	steady
Textile Corp	4.70m	4.65m	4.65	4.60b	4.64	+150c
Nanyang	8.15	8.10m	8.05	8.10	8	-10c

### Industrials Up To New Highs On Wall Street

New York, May 16.

Sparked by individual gains running to more than 10 points in volatile Lukens Steel, industrial stocks rose to new highs since early last September.

Market experts were cheered by the fact that the lagging rails finally got up a head of steam and began moving. The feeling in some quarters now is that the market may make a new assault on the all-time highs set last June 6.

Steels, oils, chemicals and crafts all supplied a push to the rise in the industrials. There were number of wide movers as the session turned into a joyous one for the bulls.

The oils moved higher after 17 major oil producers announced in London plans to build a pipeline circumventing the Suez Canal. Shell Oil up 2½ and Marathon 2¾. Amerada climbed 2½. Gulf added 1.

#### Optimistic

The whole market was buoyed by the steadily increasing flow of optimistic economic forecasts. The consensus is that the economy will hold around its present high level for a while and then move higher.

Chief interest has been centred in the utility section which has been active during the previous week with the result that the majority of prices have made appreciable gains during the week under review.

The most active issues were Benguet, Hupp, Bethlehem Steel, Lukens and Olin-Mathieson.

The Dow-Jones closing averages showed industrials up 2.66 at 504.84—a new high since Sept. 10, 1950; rails up 1.36 to 147.49; utilities up 0.22 at 74.07; and 68 stocks up 1.05 at 170.17—also the best since Sept. 10 last year. Sales totalled 2,690,000 shares against 2,390,000 shares yesterday.

The overall turnover amounted to \$4,668,000.

#### Market Diary

Here is a market diary of the week:

Friday: Interest well spread. T/O: \$1.34,000.

Monday: Fractional gains. T/O: \$710,000.

Tuesday: Remained steady. T/O: \$950,000.

Wednesday: Ruled steady throughout. T/O: \$551,000.

Thursday: No material change. T/O: \$1,075,000.

### COTTON FUTURES IRREGULAR IN NEW YORK

New York, May 16.

Cotton futures today turned irregular after small opening gains lifted the nearby July contract to a new seasonal high.

At the close the list ruled unchanged to 9 points lower. The market opened up 1 to 7 points. New Orleans closed off 2 to 10 points.

The far-forward October delivery became relatively easy in face of uncertainties over fate of the soil bank programme for next year and pending further Washington developments on farm legislation, especially in relation to cotton price supports.

Covering in the spot July delivery was attributed to domestic mills, and pointed out reports of an improving inquiry in the textile market, where substantial sales were reported consumed recently on print cloths for delivery through the fourth and first quarters of next year.

London entries for the week ended on May 10 totalled 12,194 bales while withdrawals amounted to 23,810 bales. The net stock of 10,983 crop cotton under loan totalled 3,089,237 bales.

The Agriculture Department has announced it will take over at the close of business on July 31, 1956, cotton under loan and unredeemed at that time.

The certificated stock remained at 11,975 bales.

Month Volume Open Interest

July 9,100 162,000

October 7,000 172,000

December 10,500 170,000

May 4,900 100,000

July 4,400 63,000

Oct. 4,300 63,000 bales

Total 45,500 642,000 bales

NEW YORK

Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:

Spot 36.33n

July 35.00

Dec. 33.88

May 33.07

July 33.18

Oct. 31.57

NEW ORLEANS

Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:

Spot 34.00

July 33.88

Dec. 33.50

May 33.16

July 32.75

Oct. 31.55

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FRIDAY, MAY 17, 1957.

**SHEAFFER'S**

"ADMIRAL SNORKEL" PEN

**JOHN CLARKE'S  
CASEBOOK**

## Read All About It

THROUGH the mid-evening crowds on the West End Street a gaunt, greying African thrust his way, bumping and boring and roundly cursing everyone who got in his way.

A policeman halled him, "Now then," he began, "behave like a sensible chap and..."

The rest of his advice was crowned in a torrent of shouted abuse, as Arthur, the African, treated the officer to a piece of his mind, thrashing the air about him as he did so with a number of tub-shaped parcels that he carried.

### WAS SPEECHLESS

THE policeman arrested him for using insulting words and behaviour likely to cause a breach of the peace, and next morning Arthur, complete with his parcels, was shown into the dock at Bow Street, where he pleaded not guilty to the charge.

The policeman told his story. "Any questions?" the magistrate, Mr. R. H. Blundell, asked Arthur.

"Yes, sir," said Arthur, forcefully, and, rounding on the policeman, demanded: "Do you think I gone suddenly bereft or drunk or something? Come, I don't drink or smoke or bet or nothing, and I was so taken aback I was speechless."

"You were very excited," the officer said.

### COUNTRY COUSIN

ARTHUR went into the witness-box. "I'm almost crazy over this," he said, and punched his forehead despairingly. "All I was doing was going for stamps for these parcels, to send them to Africa. I am a journalist, see, and these newspapers were for my paper in Africa. Now..." he paused for emphasis, "now I have missed the post and these newspapers I was sending are useless."

"Did you bump into people?" asked the magistrate.

"Sir," said Arthur, with the dignity of his 69 years, "I saw nobody. And I don't drink, and I don't understand bad language. I am a country cousin, sir."

The case was found proved. Arthur was discharged conditionally. He went away with a weary sigh, perhaps to write his own story of his misadventure for the papers in West Africa. A real journalist is never off duty.

### CQMS PROMOTED

THE promotion of CQMS William David White, of the Hongkong Home Guard, to the rank of Second-Lieutenant has been approved, the Government Gazette announced this morning.

## Military School's New Assembly Hall Opened

An important milestone in the history of the Gun Hill School, Kowloon, was marked this morning when the new school assembly hall building was officially opened by Brig. L. M. Cholmley.

Mr. A. J. Bryan, Headmaster, said that now the children could have a proper place of assembly, instead of meeting in the playground where they were at the mercy of the weather.

Lt.-Col. W. R. Holman, Commanding Officer of No. 10 Medium Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, stationed at Gun Club Hill, presided at the short ceremony.

Also present were Lt.-Col. A. McE. Young, Staff Officer Education, parents of the school children, and staff members of the school.

"This was the situation in 1953, when the numbers of Service children in the colony began rapidly to increase. In January 1954 the school annex was completed with accommodation for three more classes thus making it possible for us to stream the school into A and B streams. We now had eight classes. Early in 1956 it became necessary to open two more classes in the Transit Camp and we now have 10 classes, and 283 children with a staff of 11—a far cry from the original 80 with their four teachers.

"Although statistics are usually rather uninteresting and not always accurate, it might be of interest to give some indication of the change of staff and children in the last four years. When I was appointed Headmaster of this school four years ago yesterday, there were 140 children and five teachers. Since that time we have admitted 900 children to the school and there have been a total of 36 permanent members of staff."

"Today we mark the end of the latest phase in the development of the Gun Club Hill School. Today, at long last, we open the Hall that we have talked about, written about and worried about for so long—a reality. I'm sure

I have made myself rather a nuisance in high places with my constant references to our need for a hall. I remember two occasions when General Sinden visited the school. On the first occasion the General was in the school for about 20 minutes—and for at least 18 of those minutes I was explaining the need for a hall. On his second visit about six months later, the first thing he said was 'Now, Mr Bryan, I agree that you need a hall, let's talk about something else this time!'

### GREAT BENEFITS

"Now that we have our hall I can promise you that it will be constantly in use, we are now able to have a proper assembly instead of meeting in the playground at the mercy of the weather. We have been able to expand our singing and music lessons. P.T. can now be taken in wet weather and we are finding the hall valuable in a 101 different ways, even as an examination room for the Moray House Test. In fact as a member of Staff remarked recently, 'I don't know how we ever managed without it!' There is no doubt that the benefits which the children will gain from the hall will be immense—and I can assure you that every penny of the money set aside for this building has been well spent."

"And so it is fitting that I should conclude these remarks by thanking all those who made the building of this hall possible, all those who watched it grow step by step and put so much thought and effort into its construction and, lastly, to you who have come along to mark this most important milestone in the history of the school."

### MONEY WELL SPENT

IN a short speech, Brig. Cholmley said there could be no doubt as to the wisdom of building the hall. And that the money had been well spent.

He congratulated the sappers and designers for their work in constructing the airy and spacious hall.

Another need in Kowloon, the Brigadier said, was a garrison church, and this would be coming later.

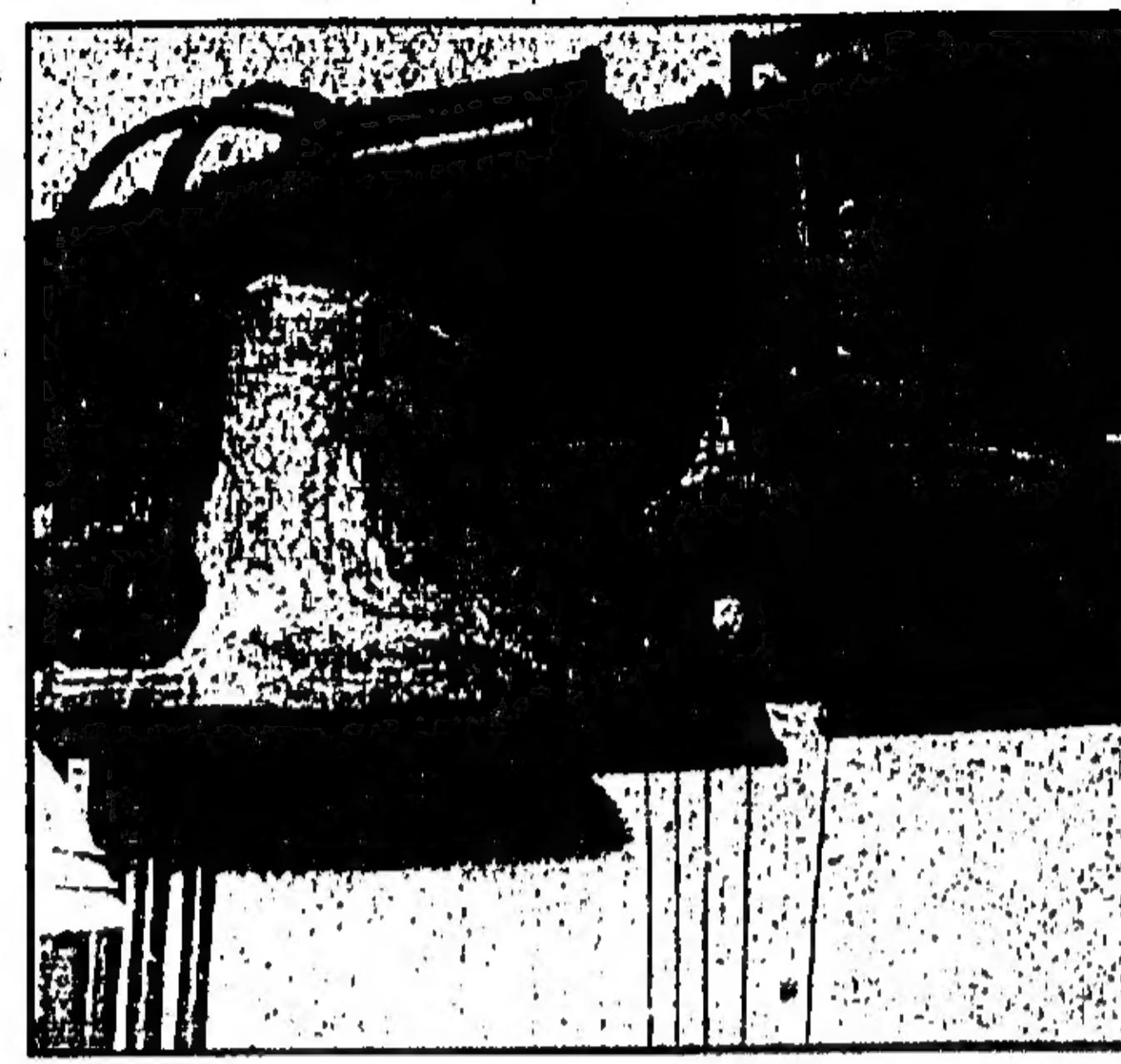
Paying a tribute to Mr. Bryan, Brig. Cholmley said the Headmaster had "enjoyed, charmed, persuaded and pushed" all the way until he finally got his assembly hall.

After declaring the hall open, he said he would leave it to the discretion of the Headmaster to grant a half-holiday to mark the occasion.

This was greeted with enthusiastic applause from the children.

Members of classes 2A, 4B and 4C each sang a song to piano accompaniment.

Before the Brigadier left the children gave him three rousing cheers.



Picture above shows the bells which reproduce the Westminster chimes from the clock tower of the new Star Ferry pier.—Staff Photographer.

## NEW SCA GAZETTED

Mr. J. C. McDouall was officially gazetted this morning as Secretary for Chinese Affairs. Mr. McDouall, formerly Hong Kong's Social Welfare Officer, returned here from Malaya to succeed Mr. B. C. K. Howkins who went on leave prior to retirement last Sunday.

Other appointments, transfers, promotions and postings announced in the Government Gazette this morning were:

Mr. R. W. Booker, Radiographer, to be Senior Radiographer.

Mr. C. G. Folwell, Chief Postal Accountant, to be Acting Deputy Postmaster-General during the absence of Mr. A. G. Crook;

Mr. S. J. Hydes, Assistant Controller of Posts, to be Acting Postal Accountant, vice Mr. Folwell; Mr. Li Yung-jun, Superintendent of Mails, to be Acting Assistant Controller of Posts, vice Mr. Hydes.

Mr. Tso Po-shue, Executive Officer, Class I, to be Acting Senior Accountant, Kowloon-Canton Railway vice Mr. A. A. Walter Duncan to be a Marketing Officer during the absence of Mr. I. Petersen.

## Norwegian Consul

The Government Gazette notified this morning that His Excellency the Governor, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been pleased to accord formal recognition to Mr. Axel Molke-Hansen as Consul for Norway at Hong Kong.

Recognition, provisionally and pending instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colony, was also given Mr. Harry F. T. Thayer as Vice-Consul for the United States.

## Radio Hongkong

11.30 p.m. Time for Teen-Agers presented by Deborah Durbar, 9.

11.45 p.m. Time Signal Programme Sum-

11.55 p.m. Popular Requests presented by Fred Thomas; 12.00, Adam Clark.

1.7. The Big Ben Barjo Band; 7.15,

7.15, Song of Blue; 7.45, Going to the Pictures.

7.45, The Golden Butterflies; 8.00, The Golden Butterflies; 8.15, The New Golden Butterflies; 8.45, The New Golden Butterflies; 9.15, The New Golden Butterflies; 9.45, The New Golden Butterflies; 10.15, The New Golden Butterflies; 10.45, The New Golden Butterflies; 11.15, Goodnight, Radio News.

11.30, Close Down.

## REDIFFUSION

9 p.m. Musical Matinee; 3.30,

Strike, 10 p.m. The Best; 4,

The Story of Little Red Riding Hood; 5,

5.30, Musical Matinee; 6,

Songs beginning with letter "H"; 6,

7, Friday Requests—presented by Betty

7.45, Birthday Mailbag; 8.30,

Showtime, 8.45, Personality Parade—Arthur Ashe; 9, Personality Parade—Eddie Fisher; 9.30, Eddie Fisher; 10.30, The Storyteller's Orchestra; 11.45, The Music Room; 12.00, Weather Report, Announcements and Popular Music; 12.30, Music Top 40; 1.30, Studio Presentation in which two visitors selected their musical answers to certain questions under special circumstances; 2, Cafe Continental; French Music presented by Jeanne Pichot; 3, Popular Day Show; 3.15, Hedifusion Spotslight; 3.30, with Andrew Gold and Pamela Woolmore, the well-known British comedians; 3.45, Popular French Echoes of the Continent; 4, Andre Melodies; 4.15, Date with Dreamland; 4.30, "Goodbye, Goodbye Queen"; 4.45, Close Down.

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